

REMARKS

In the action, the Examiner set forth a requirement for restriction to one of the three species claimed in the three groups of claims identified as "a", "b", and "c".

The Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the claims identified as being directed toward species "a", namely, claims 1 through 4, and 18 and 19 for further prosecution on the merits.

The Applicant reserves the right to file one or two divisional applications to prosecute the claims not being elected at this time, namely, claims 5 through 17, identified as being directed toward species "b" (claims 5 through 10) and "c" (claims 11 through 17).

Early and positive consideration of the claims being elected (claims 1 through 4, and 18 and 19) is respectfully requested and earnestly sought.

Respectfully submitted,



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